

SPHERE

STRENGTHENING PUBLIC HEALTH RESEARCH IN EUROPE

Questionnaire on Public Perception

February 2006

Dear Sir/Madam,

The European Public Health Association (EUPHA), through the Faculty of Public Health, (United Kingdom), has proposed a project SPHERE (Strengthening Public Health in the European Region) that will describe public health research at the European level, including support by national governments, and advise how it can be strengthened and most effectively integrated into European health policy.

The project is financially supported by the European Commission, DG Research

You can get more information about the project at its website

<http://www.ucl.ac.uk/public-health/sphere/spherehome.htm>

At present on level of the European Union there are two major research funding schemes in Europe. The "Framework 6" program directed by the Research and Development Directorate of the European Commission aims to support basic research and establish a European Integrated Research Area. Public health topics are included in this major research program and if not yet familiar, you can find more information about it at the following web site:

<http://fp6.cordis.lu/index.cfm?fuseaction=UserSite.FP6HomePage>

The second major public health resource under European Commission is the public health program of the EC directed by Directorate of public health and consumer protection. This program aims to fund more applied research, project dealing with implementation of new knowledge into practice. You can get more information about this program at the following website:

http://europa.eu.int/comm/health/ph_programme/programme_en.htm

The SPHERE study will be undertaken by a consortium of European public health experts from several EU Member States. We would like to ask for your collaboration to a part of the study that is undertaken by European Public Health Alliance (EPHA) and the Slovak Public Health Association (SAVEZ). Its objective is to obtain information from non-governmental organizations as representatives of public about public health research in Europe. We would be grateful if you could fill in the attached questionnaire and return it up to May,15 2006 to Gabriel Gulis by E-mail (ggulis@health.sdu.dk).

Thank you for your participation!

Best wishes,
Gabriel Gulis
SAVEZ

Roxana Radulescu
EPHA

1. Name and address of your NGO

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b. Area of work NGO

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c. Duration of existence

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d. Experience with international work (collaboration with international organizations, partnership in international projects etc.)

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e. Experience with international public health research work (public health research in this sense is considered as a non-clinical medicine research tackling major problems of population health. The above mentioned research programs describe more in depth what could be considered as public health research)

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2. Awareness about international public health research possibilities before this questionnaire

a. Have you ever heard before receiving this questionnaire about Framework 6 and the Public Health Program of the EU? Please describe.

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c. Have you ever been asked to participate in an international project funded by major EU programs in field of public health? Please describe.

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d. Have you ever heard or been contacted in relation to other international public health research funding resources? Please describe

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3. Experience with national, regional and international public health research

a. Have you ever been a partner within a national or regional public health research project? Please describe

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b. Have you ever been a partner within an international public health research project? Please describe

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4. Please describe what would be, from your perspective, the needs for public health research on national/regional and international level

a. National and/or Regional

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b. International

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Thank you for your time and willingness to collaborate!